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We went down to the White Sulphur Springs last week. We were probably the last editor in this part of the world to see the great new hotel called the New Greenbrier and as each one of them wrote their impressions, we will take a shot at it. This time of the year the idle rich yearn for sulphur water and commence to steer for the Red, White and Blue. Therefore when an intimate of ours took us up in a high mountain and pointed out the White, we fell for a trip there. Besides we had totally abstained from golf balls for two long weary years and we wanted a chance to send the wee ball scooting o'er the bonny brae. This it will do unless with the innate perversity of inanimate things it falls in the ditch.

We did not go in by the straight gate but by another way and not being train time did not have to run the gantlope. Just our rotten luck as we were traveling in a million dollar car owned by a friend and we wished to make a very impressive entry.

We were duly impressed by the grand simplicity and the artistic beauty of the new hotel. In shape it is like a cigar box set upon its side. The architect having eliminated all curves and angles has produced the most beautiful building that we have ever seen. We could not get done looking at it. Without pretending to know anything about architecture, we know when we are pleased. We could not attribute our fascination to any particular thing, but think it must have been the tout ensemble, for which the architect has tried and in which he has succeeded. Under such circumstances, being struck dumb with awe, we let that Keats lad describe the sensation: "Then felt I like some watcher of the skies,

When a new planet swims within his ken,
Or like stout Cortez, when with eagle eyes
He gazed at the Pacific; all his men
Gazed at each other with a mild surmise,
Silent upon the peak in Darien."

As a matter of fact the gentleman's name was Balboa, but you may get our drift.

The new hotel is joined with a kind of an umbilical connection with the old White, now called the Grand Central Hotel. In this way the children of Israel can pass over dry shod. We did our sleeping in the new part and our eating in the old house. It will be a long time before there is built in the world as big a dining room as the old hotel has. At the time it was built it was the largest room in the world. This has been disputed, some claiming that there was a larger room in the palace of Versailles, but we choose to believe that the palace of Dry Creek has it on the French place. Tradition has it, however, that in the dining room, that there is the equivalent to eating above and below the salt. That the tables nearest the parlor doors contain the most select parties, and that after a regular attendance of some two score years, one may almost eat next to the wall at that end. We do not put much stock in this, however, for we have always eaten well down towards the other end. The great size of the room is relieved by rows of white columns, and trees set in big tubs. We eat under a good sized sapling and registered a kick with the waiter because there were no singing birds in our tree. That was the only order that we gave that could not be filled and it will probably be ready by the time the season is in full tilt. We have a shocking way of talking to waiters that has alienated some of the brightest and best snobs that we have ever known. We go on the theory that they are human beings, and we like to make them smile and see the eternal calm which sits enthroned upon their mugs broken up with a laugh. Poor waiters—they get more kicks than half-pence. They get plenty of quarter-dollars, however. It would be a brave man who gave one of them a copper. He would be a marked man, and the brand would be the double cross. We engaged one dusky retainer on the subject of the big Congressional convention that is to be held there on the 30th of June, and whether there would be anything to drink. He gave it as his opinion that when people assemble to make laws that they ought not to have anything to drink. The reference was made to the convention and we will follow our usual custom of nominating Adam Littlepage for congress or turn over a new page.

A sad-looking saddle-colored servant personally conducted us to our apartments totting our packs with his itching palm. His was a familiar face and we claimed a previous acquaintance. He said

he remembered us too, as being the gentleman who was there a year or two before with his eight children and party, and we had all eaten at one big long table. He evidently mistook this writer for a man of means. We never did get it figured out how many subscribers would be necessary to support the long table for any appreciable length of time. Not that we consider the rates at this place unreasonable. Five dollars a day and everything good is much cheaper than two dollars a day and everything bad. We speak out of a wide knowledge and a wierd experience.

Arrived at the finest watering place in America, the first thing naturally would be to take a drink from the spring. Not needing big medicine, we passed the spring and donning a pair of overalls, renewed our devotions to the game of golf. They have an eighteen hole course in use now insuring a journey of three miles or more, with another eighteen hole course almost ready for use. Starting at the club house at a point on a rostrum witnessed by forty critical persons in rocking chairs boring holes in your back, thence S 80 W 80 poles to a set cup in the center of a green place, the modest performer need not fear overshooting the mark, and can go as far as he likes, which with all those imperfect strangers looking at him is apt to be twenty steps on a tangent. But having once gotten started the course leads over the creek and far away and brings you back to the shower bath and the standard declaration: "This is the best of all," when the cold water feels like needles. But the game is the best of all for those who have felt the gnawing tooth of time. It is the game that permits sixty years to take on young twenty years and beat him.

The big new hotel has long corridors with the walls blocked off to represent stone work. On either side there are innumerable beautiful rooms such as kings, emperors and American citizens usually occupy. For the longest time we could not think what it meant to us. There must have been some association that it called up, but one morning we awoke and it came to us in a flash. That imitation of stone-work made the walls like those of some great penal institution and these de luxe rooms were like cells opening upon the common passways. And we started on a poem beginning: Seeking the grateful shade in summer-time,
They leave the shop to hirelings to keep;
Each in his narrow cell at six per diem,
The shrewd four-flushers from the city sleep.

Then came the thought that caused us to spring from the hay and patter through the bathroom to the apartment occupied by our traveling companion. He was awake and was reciting softly that beautiful morning song:

"The youth had a pair of pajamas,
Made from the fleece of two llamas;
So unmanly bedecked,
Caused his friends to suspect,
That they really in fact were his mamma's."

We broke forth to him, that we were not in anything in nothing more or less than a glorified penitentiary, and whereas our time was not up until the next day, that we were entitled to a day of good conduct and it was back to the woods for us.

And he turned to the window and said: "Look, there is the patch of blue sky, provided for every poor prisoner to look upon and ponder on his sins and gloomy future."

And so home, as Mr. Pepsy remarked.

It used to be that men wrote in their copy books that idleness leads to vice and governed themselves accordingly. Now a lot of false prophets have arisen and are teaching the people that it is wrong to allow children to work, and that the necessity of work at low wages is the cause of girls going wrong. This latter day doctrine is that of a lot of drones who do not like to work themselves and imagine that it is a hardship for people generally to work. Such idle, worthless persons are to be found in those who were reared by rich and luxurious parents and those who have a mental slant which has prevented them from understanding the soul satisfying nature of hard, honest, healthy work. Whether they belong to the idle rich or whether they are tramps, they are useless to society and they are the last people in the world to be qualified to speak upon the subject. Men love to be told that they are horny handed sons of toil, and that they are imposed upon, and they love to be pitied, but deep down in their hearts they know that they like to work for work's sake, and that they are perfectly miserable if they have nothing to do. Too little has been said about the joy of work, and the habit of work. It is the one thing that brings peace and contentment the minds of men. It is the only way to earn a good night's sleep. What can be more enjoyable than rest after labor, or what is more ap-

pulling than enforced rest not preceded by physical or mental weariness. Men in prison have always asked for work if they have acquired the habit earlier in their happier days, though it is very seldom that a real worker is called upon to serve a term. The best safeguard that young persons in their teens can have is plenty of work. Without it, the chances are that they will go wrong. Unless the habit of work is acquired in the teens, it is not likely that the person will ever be a worker. Children are much safer and better off, even in the cotton factories in the south, than they would be on the streets. The vileness and filth that they learn from idle associates is the great danger, and any parent that knows that his boy or girl is putting in regular hours at any standard employment can rest easy about the child's future.

The rewards of labor are sure, but every person should work whether he is getting rich or not. We sometimes think that a person's life is mapped out for him from the time that he is born and that he is given a good or bad disposition according to the will of a higher power, and that he never changes greatly from the person he is born. But there is given also a limited amount of the power of resistance, not to do thousands of the evil things that are conceived in his sinful mind, this being governed largely by the opportunities presenting themselves. To such persons who comprise the large majority of all society, work is the one and only safeguard to keep from committing sin and to even prevent opportunities arising. In work lies our salvation, and no heed should be given to loud mouthed idlers who know nothing about the blessedness of work. "Free men freely work; whoever fears God fears to sit at ease." And Epesians 4: 28;

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Roosevelt in his London speech said that he traveled 200 miles on his river in a steam launch. Dr. Kice, the great explorer of Brazil, wondered what the owners of the steam launch called the river before Roosevelt named it the river of Doubt, on his recent discovery of this stream. The poor benighted people who operated the steam launch probably referred to it as "the creek," and let it go at that.

Editor of Times: What made Col. Roosevelt call that new river the River of Doubt? I did not know that there was any such word in his vocabulary. Subscriber.

We do not know unless he is getting ready to bring the book "Pilgrim's Progress" up to date.

Then up spoke the agents of Huerta, We do not see how you can dare to Propose for our chief, A low, rebel thief— We'll not do it, and that we will swear to.

Then answered the justice, Lamar: A miserable remnant you are; Wake out of your nap, And look at your map, And wind up this horrible war.

A lawyer in Wheeling made a motion to continue a case which had been set for trial, on a Thursday, on the grounds that it was Saturday Evening Post day, and everybody would want to read his paper.

Roosevelt in lecturing in London on his river cut the length from 1000 miles to 800 kilometers which you will please work out.

The income tax yielded only a beggarly thirty millions. Many think that men have concealed their assets, but it is possible that men have been lying about the amount they have been making for years.

That the New York Sun does not like the President is enough to commend him to us ordinary, everyday mortals. The New York Sun has such a select and limited audience that it is able to make use of irony and sarcasm in its columns.

We see that Nicholas county held a fusion convention between the Republicans and the Democrats and nominated a ticket that will win at the polls. This strikes us as being more like religion than anything that we have heard of in politics.

The effort to get Charlestown to change its name so that confusion may be avoided in the mails and shipments to that place and Charlestown, seems to have failed. How would it do for Charlestown to spell its name with a little c?

At a Special Session of the County Court of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, held on the 12th day of May, 1914, in the matter of a road on the North Fork of Deer Creek, through the lands of Jesse Orndorff and others.

This day James Stretch, James Cassell and L. O. Beard, who were heretofore appointed viewers, to view out and report upon the expediency of building a road up the North Fork of Deer Creek in the Greenbank district, filed their report which is favorable for the establishing of a road, which report is ordered to be recorded and it is further ordered that the Clerk of this Court cause proper notice to be published in the county papers and that notice be made and served upon Wise Gillispie, Coy Friel, Jesse Orndorff, Milton Gum, Harman Woodwell, Horie Fugh and Perry Showalter, owners of land affected by said road, for them to appear before the County Court at the June regular term, 1914, to-wit: June 23rd, 1914, to show cause, if any, why said road should not be established, and all other matters pertaining to the establishment of said road is continued until the June term, 1914.

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SMALLPOX ON ELK AND CHEAT RIVERS

The Board of Health of Pocahontas County met Sunday, June 21, for the purpose of investigating the cases of smallpox known to exist in the camps on Elk and Cheat rivers, which disease is liable to become epidemic in the county.

The County Health Officer, Dr. W. H. Hull of Durbin, and Dr. N. R. Price of the County Court, visited the detention camp at Slaty Fork, and verified the fact that the five cases now at the camp have true smallpox. One case, that of James Struck, is in a malignant form, one not easily mistaken for any other form of disease. Deputy Sheriff Winters Cochran is in charge as orderly and guard, himself being immune from the disease through a former attack.

On the same day the County Health Officers of Randolph visited the second detention camp at Cheat Bridge, where a number of cases are being treated. Several cases which originated on Cheat have been detained in a pest house at Durbin, under the supervision of Dr. Hull.

The cases on Elk originated at Camps 2, 4 and five. A limited quarantine will likely be established by the Board of Health at these camps, the object being to prevent the free travel of the workmen to and from the settlements along the Greenbrier, until sufficient time elapses for the eradication and general elimination of the disease at these known infected places.

In the meantime, the Board of Health urges general vaccination as the surest means of combatting an epidemic of this disease. Vaccination, alone, where thoroughly practiced, has made smallpox a negligible disease in the congested districts of large cities, where less than a century ago it was the most dreaded and fatal, as well as the most loathsome of all contagious diseases. A large proportion of the children of this county, under fifteen years of age, have never been vaccinated. All cases so far detected on Elk are among white men (Americans) and none gives a history of ever having been vaccinated.

By authority of the Board of Health.
N. R. PRICE, M. D.

Notice to Contractors

The County Court of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, will receive bids until noon on the 21st day of July, 1914, for the construction of a steel bridge, to be built across Thorney Creek, near the home of W. H. Dilley, bridge to be 44 feet in length; with 14 feet roadway and concrete sub structure, to be built according to plans and specifications now in the hands of Hevner Dilley, Road Superintendent, of the Huntersville district, Post-office Dilleys Mill.

Bond with good security, in a sum equal to the amount of the bid will be required by the court.

The court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Given under my hand this 24th day of June, 1914.

C. J. McCARTY, Clerk.

Notice

There will be an all day district conference of the Sunday School of the Greenbank district held at the Arbovale Church at Arbovale Sunday July 5th, 1914. All superintendents, officers and teachers and all Sunday School workers in the district are requested and earnestly urged to attend. Bring your dinner and come prepared to stay for all the sessions of the conference.

E. N. MOORE, President.
O. G. ARBOGAST, Secretary.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the Judge of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, on the first Tuesday of July, 1914, for license to carry a pistol. My occupation is campcook.
FLOYD CRITTS, Locust, W. Va.
Jan. 12, 1914.

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My office will be closed from July 1 to Sept. 1st, during which time I will be in Chicago taking post graduate work in medical and surgical clinics.
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